

7. Priority of foreign application Nos. 195 20 398.4 and 195 37 985.3 filed June 8, 1995 and October 12, 1995, respectively, both in Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and/or §365(b).
8. The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. 08/952,969 on March 11, 1998.
9. A certified copy of the above foreign application(s) is attached.
10. Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. _____ filed _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No. _____ filed _____.--
12. The prior application was assigned of record to Boehringer Mannheim GmbH. A Change of Name to Roche Diagnostics GmbH was filed on May 28, 1999.
13. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(b)(1)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:
14. A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
15. An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449.
16. Small entity status:
 a. A small entity statement is attached.
 b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.
 c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
17. Other: Change of Name and Address
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